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1. THE RECENT MURDER OF MR. YOUSSEF SEBAI, HEAD OF THE ORGANIZATION FOR THE SOLIDAIRY OF AFRO-ASIAN PEIPLES -- BY TWO PALESTINIAN EXTREMISTS -- "HAS DISCREDITED ALL PALESTINIAN AND ARAB PEOPLE"., STATES ASSISTANT EDITOR KIEKIE M. NGEBAY EDITORIALLY IN KINSHASA EVENING DAILY ELIMA FEBRUARY 23. EDITOR SYAS THAT TERORIST CLAIM THAT SEBAI WORKED AGAIFNST PALESTINIAN INTERESTS IS NOT TRUE BECAUSE EGYPT, FOR WHICH MR. SEBAI WORKED AS PRESIDENT SADAT'S CLOSE COLLABORATOR, IS ONE OF THE ARAB COUNTRIES WHICH HAS ALWAYS SUPPORTED THE CAUSE OF THE PLO.

2. EDITORIAL SAYS THAT IT HAS BECOME ALMOST A HABIT FOR A PALESTINIAN TO BE INVOLVED EVERY TIME THERE IS A MURDER ANY WHERE IN THE ARAB WORLD. "IS IT BY KILLING ARAB LEADERS THAT THE PALESTINIANS HOPE TO SUCCEED IN ESTABLISHING A PALESTINIAN HOME LAND"? ASKS THE EDITOR. CONTINUING, COMMENTARY DEPLORES THE FACT THAT AT A TIME WHEN PRESIDENT SADAT'S DIPLOMATIC EFFORTS ARE ALSO DIRECTED AT OBTAINING ISRAEL'S RECOGNITION OF THE PLO AS THE POLITICAL REPRESENTATIVE OF THE PALESTINIAN PEOPLE, SOME ARAB INDIVIDUALS ARE COMMITTING ACTS THAT UNDERMINE ARAB AND PALESTIUNCLASSIFIED

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3. EDITOR NGEBAY ALSO INDICATES THAT THE "BARBARIC, HENOUS CRIME WAS COMMITTED AT A TIME WHEN, THANKS TO PRESIDENT SADAT'S DIPLOMATIC EFFORTS, THE U.S. AND ISRAEL AGREED IN PRINCIPLE FOR THE PALESTINIANS TO TAKE PART IN THE MIDDLE EAST PEACE NEGOTIATIONS". THE EDITORIAL MAINTAINS THAT ACTION OF ARAB

TERRORISTS SEEM TO INDICATE THAT "ARAB EXTREMISTS ARE NOT YET ABLE TO DISTINGUISH THOSE WHO DEFEND THEIR CAUSE FROM THOSE WHO DON'T."

4. "THE ASSASSINATION OF MR. SEBAI IS A WARNING THAT THE LIVES OF ALL THE MEMBERS OF THE EGYPTIAN DELEGATION THAT VISITED ISRAEL WITH PRESIDENT SADAT ARE IN DANGER", SAYS THE EDITORIAL, ADDING: "THE ARAB EXTREMISTS HAVE SAID THEMSELVES THAT ALL THOSE WHO MADE UP THE EGYPTIAN DELEGATION THAT VISITED ISRAEL WILL BE KILLED". CONCLUDING, THE EDITOR SAYS THAT IF NOTHING IS DONE, THE SITUATION WILL PERHAPS LEAD TO OTHER VICTIMS IN THE FUTURE, AND HE WARNS ALL ARAB CAPITALS TO FACE THEIR RESPONSIBILITY IN ORDER TO KEEP THE TERRORISTS FROM COMMITTING OTHER ASSASSINATIONS. ITEM DUMAS

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